TO: All Hospital Chief Financial Officers

FROM: William H. Hoff, Chief Audit & Integrity WHH

Date June 21, 2023

RE: Physical Therapy Services, Occupational Therapy Services Relative Value Units & Revision to the Chart of Account related to Observation

On June 14, 2023, the Health Services Cost Review Commission adopted the revisions to the Relative Value Units (RVUs) scale for Physical Therapy Services (PTH) and Occupational Therapy Services (OTH). The revisions are specific to The Chart of Accounts and Appendix D of the Accounting and Budget Manual. These revised RVUs are based on CMS national cost weights and were reviewed by a workgroup facilitated by the HSCRC staff.

The RVU scale was updated to reflect linkages of RVUs to the CPT codes to reflect changes in PTH & OTH practices and to link charging guidelines for PTH & OTH services to national definitions, consistent with the HSCRC’s plan to adopt national RVUs where possible.

The attached RVUs in the Revised Appendix D for PTH & OTH Services are to be utilized beginning July 1, 2023. To ensure that the revisions are revenue neutral, your FY 2024 Rate Order will be issued utilizing the conversion factor developed by your staff.

The attached Chart of Accounts related to Observation “stop time” was revised to reflect CMS Federal Billing Guidelines.

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